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Our Ref: 1038-384 MIS:jb

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Application No.: 08/286,189

Applicant: Sonia E. Sanhueza, et al.

Title: INACTIVATED RESPIRATORY SYNCYTIAL
VIRAL VACCINES

Filed: 5th August 1994

Group No.: 1802

Examiner: Khalid Masood

AMENDMENT

The Commissioner of Patents
and Trademarks,
Washington, D.C. 20231,
U. S. A.

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action of July 12, 1996,
please amend this application in the following manner:

In the Claims:

Amend claim 5 as follows:

5. (Thrice Amended) A method of preparing a non-immunopotentiating, immunogenic composition capable of producing a respiratory syncytial (RS) virus specific immune response in a host immunized therewith, which comprises:

growing RS virus on a cell line to produce a grown virus;

harvesting said grown virus to produce a harvested virus;

purifying said harvested virus under non-denaturing conditions to produce a purified virus substantially free from cellular and [cellular and] serum components;

inactivating said purified virus with an inactivating agent to provide a non-infectious, non-immunopotentiating and immunogenic RS viral preparation, and

formulating said non-infectious, non-immunopotentiating and immunogenic RS viral preparation as said immunogenic composition.